

Docket No.: 057454-0986



**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277  
Kousuke OBAYASHI, et al. : Confirmation Number: 6273  
Application No.: 10/700,498 : Group Art Unit: 3682  
Filed: November 05, 2003 : Examiner: Thomas R. Hannon

For: SUPPORT STRUCTURE CARRYING THRUST LOAD OF TRANSMISSION, METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THEREOF AND THRUST NEEDLE ROLLER BEARING

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27  
☐ Also attached:

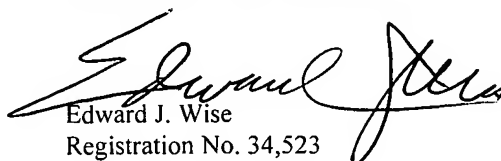
The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	13	20	0	\$50.00 =	\$0.00
Independent Claims	2	3	0	\$200.00 =	\$0.00
Multiple dependent claims newly presented					\$0.00
Fee for extension of time					\$0.00
					\$0.00
Total of Above Calculations					\$0.00

- ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 500417 in the amount of \$0.00. An additional copy of this transmittal sheet is submitted herewith.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500417, including any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

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Sir:

The following amendment and remarks are submitted in response to the Official Action  
mailed August 24, 2005.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2  
of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.